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SUBJECT: US BICENTENNIAL PROGRAM IN GREECE: A LIBERTY BELL FOR METROPOLITAN OF ATHENS

1. CONGRESSMAN GEORGE DANIELSON (D - CALIFORNIA) TELEPHONED EUR/SE TO REQUEST THAT THE AMBASSADOR (OR SOME OTHER APPROPRIATE EMBASSY ATHENS OFFICIAL) BE PRESENT AT A PROPOSED JULY CEREMONY TO GIVE TO THE METROPOLITAN OF ATHENS AN EXACT REPLICA OF THE LIBERTY BELL. THIS BELL WOULD BE FINANCED PRIVATELY BY STAVROS MEIMARIDIS OF LORAIN, OHIO, WHO SAYS THE METROPOLITAN IS WILLING TO ACCEPT BELL.

2. DANIELSON SAID THAT BEFORE MEIMARIDIS PLACES THE ORDER FOR THE BELL WITH FRENCH FIRM, HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER AN EMBASSY ATHENS OFFICIAL COULD BE PRESENT AT CEREMONY AND WHETHER THIS CEREMONY COULD BECOME PART OF THE U.S. BICENTENNIAL PROGRAM IN GREECE.

3. PLEASE ADVISE.
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